GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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SHORTAGE OF PHOSPHORIC ACID
Mohite Shri Subodh

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the shortage of phosphoric acid and other raw material had forced fertiliser units to cut production;

(b) if so the details thereof and ;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure supply of adequate phosphoric acid to these units?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) & (b): No sir, the production of Phosphatic fertilizers covered under the Concession Scheme was120.05 lakh MT during the year 2004-05 as against the total production of 117.23 lakh MT of these fertilizers during the year 2003-04.

(c): The import of phosphoric acid is free. The Phosphatic fertiliser manufacturers are procuring phosphoric acid from the international market at the price & terms & conditions negotiated by them with the international suppliers.